GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services-Social Welfare Department-Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, West Godavari District-Disciplinary action initiated against her under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991-Further action dropped-orders-Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (SER.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 525 Dated: 21-11-2019

Read the following:

1. Lr.Roc.No.116/2018/A4(e-1431729), Dated :05.08.2018 of the Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari District.
2. G.O.Rt.No.386, Social Welfare (Ser.) Department, dated:22.07.2019.
3. Explanation of Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, Eluru, West Godavari District, dated:27.08.2019.
4. From the Director, Social Welfare Dept., Lr.No.A1/1269/2019, dated 16.10.2019.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari District has reported that a girl who was studying and residing in SC Girls Hostel, Chintalapudi, missed from the hostel on 16-07-2018, and subjected to sexual assault. The Police have also registered a criminal case against the accused who assaulted the girl. The District Collector, WG, suspended three Hostel Welfare Officers of the Hostel and recommended for disciplinary action against Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, West Godavari for failure of discharging her legitimate duties and has requested the Government to take further course of action against her.

2. Government after careful examination of the matter have framed Article Charges against Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, Eluru, West Godavari District and directed to submit her written statement of defense vide reference 2nd read above.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, Eluru, West Godavari District has submitted her written statement of defense among other has stated that she received a phone message from the Hostel Welfare officer, Chintalapudi on 19.07.2018 about the missing girl student from the Hostel ZPH School, Chintalapudi. The Hostel Welfare Officer, Chintalapudi has filed a complaint before the Station House Officer, Chintalapudi on 19.07.2018. But the police could not file the FIR and delayed. When the matter was pursued by the HWO, Chintalapudi and requested to file FIR. Then the police have filed FIR on 23.07.2018 and searched and traced the girl on 26.07.2019 and handed over the girl to her mother. Further, she has submitted her written statement of defense Charge-II, that she has introduced Bio-metric system to all HWOs, Class IV staff and Outsourcing Class IV staff in West Godavari District. The District Collector, West Godavari has reviewed every Thursday of the week on the progress of the Bio-metric and implementation of the other Schemes. Basing on the review of the District Collector, West Godavari certain HWOs were placed under suspension, some were issued show cause notices and initiated disciplinary action against certain HWOs. Hence, there is no lack of supervision and negligence. Therefore, she has requested to kindly consider her defense judiciously in a practical point of view and drop the Charges.

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Director of Social Welfare, Andhra Pradesh have offered his remarks in this regard and recommended for dropping of further action against Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, since defense statement against the Article of charges is convincing.

5. Government after careful examination of explanation of the Charged Officer Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi, Deputy Director, Eluru, West Godavari District, have decided to drop the further action against her in the matter. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Smt. J. Ranga Lakshmi Devi,

Deputy Director, Eluru, West Godavari District, in the disciplinary proceedings initiated against her in the reference 2nd read above.

6. The Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli, Andhra Pradesh shall take further necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MUDDADA RAVI CHANDRA
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Individual (Trough the Director of Social Welfare, Tadepalli,
Guntur district, with a request to serve the order and
furnish the served copy for record)
The Director, Social Welfare Department, Tadepalli, Guntur District.

Copy to:
The Collector & District Magistrate, West Godavari District, Eluru
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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER